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CLAIMS

I claim:

1. A system for assigning and distributing work over a computer network comprising:
 - a) a central internet web server acting as a central coordinating site;
 - b) at least one remote terminal, in communication with said central internet web server;
 - c) a means for transferring a two-way data stream between said central internet web server and said at least one remote terminal;
 - d) a first database, in communication with said central internet web server, said first database containing at least one work project description;
 - e) a second database, in communication with said central internet web server, said second database containing a description of at least one agent, having a set of qualifications, seeking work assignments;
 - f) a means for screening the set of qualifications of said at least one agent such that access to said first data base is restricted to the at least one agent who has a set of qualifications that match a set of criteria related to said at least one work project description;
 - g) a means for accessing said first data base by said at least one agent to review said at least one work project; and
 - h) a means for accepting said at least one work project by said at least one agent.

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1 2. The system of claim 1 further comprising a means for posting a workflow
2 script to said central internet web server from said at least one remote terminal.

3 3. The system of claim 1 further comprising an identification number for said at
4 least one agent, and further whereby said identification number is associated with said
5 at least one work project accepted by said at least one agent.

6 4. The system of claim 1 further comprising a means for tracking work progress
7 in communication with said central internet web server.

8 5. The system of claim 1 further comprising a means for verifying the status of
9 said at least one work project.

10 6. The system of claim 5 further comprising a means for making payment to said
11 at least one agent upon completion of said at least one work project.

12 8. A system for assigning and distributing work over a computer network
13 comprising:

14 a) a central internet web server acting as a central coordinating site;

15 b) a plurality of remote terminals, each of said plurality of remote terminals
16 being in communication with said central internet web server;

17 c) a means for transferring a two-way data stream between said central internet
18 web server and each of said plurality of remote terminal;

19 d) a first database, in communication with said central internet web server, said
20 first database containing a plurality of work project descriptions;

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1 e) a second database, in communication with said central internet web server,
2 said second database containing a description of a plurality of agents seeking work
3 assignments;

4 f) a means for screening the set of qualifications each of said plurality of agents
5 such that access to said first data base is restricted to each of said plurality of agents
6 who has a set of qualifications that match a set of criteria related to one of said plurality
7 of work project descriptions;

8 g) a means for accessing said first data base by one of said plurality of agents
9 whereby that one agent is able to review only a selection of said plurality of work
10 projects that have a set of criteria that match the set of qualifications of that one agent;

11 h) a means for accepting at least one of said plurality of work projects selected
12 for review by one of said plurality of agents; and

13 i) a means for locking out each of said plurality of agents from reviewing said
14 work assignment after said one of said plurality of agents has accepted the at least one
15 of said plurality of work projects.

16 9. The system of claim 8 further comprising a means for posting a workflow
17 script to said central internet web server from said at least one remote terminal.

18 10. The system of claim 8 further comprising an identification number for each if
19 said plurality of agents.

20 11. The system of claim 8 further comprising a means for tracking work progress
21 in communication with said central internet web server.

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12. The system of claim 8 further comprising a means for verifying the status of said at least one work project.

13. The system of claim 12 further comprising a means for making payment to said at least one agent upon completion of said at least one work project.

14. A method for assigning and distributing work over a computer network having a central internet web server acting as a central coordinating site; a plurality of remote terminals, each of said plurality of remote terminals being in communication with said central internet web server; a means for transferring a two-way data stream between said central internet web server and each of said plurality of remote terminal; a first database, in communication with said central internet web server, said first database containing a plurality of work project descriptions; a second database, in communication with said central internet web server, said second database containing a description of a plurality of agents seeking work assignments; a means for accessing said first data base by each of said plurality of agents to review said plurality of work projects; a means for accepting at least one of said plurality of work projects by at least one of said plurality of agents; and a means for locking out each of said plurality of agents from reviewing said work assignment after said at least one of said plurality of agents has accepted said at least one of said plurality of work projects; comprising the steps of:

a) posting a plurality of work project description on the central internet web server;

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b) having each of the plurality of agents review said plurality of work project descriptions;

c) having one of said set of plurality of agents accept one of said plurality of work project descriptions;

d) locking out all other agents of said set of said plurality of agents from accessing the work project description accepted by the one of said set of plurality of agents; and

e) repeating steps b-d for each work project description of said set of said plurality of work project descriptions.

15. The method of claim 14 further comprising the step of:

a) establishing a work value for the work project accepted by the one of said plurality of agents.

16. The method of claim 14 further comprising the step of making a communication between a party posting a work project on said central internet web server and an agent.

17. The method of claim 16 wherein the communication is selected from the group of: a resume of an agent's qualifications, a set of terms for performing a work project, a schedule of payments for a work project, an invoice for work completed, a status report on a work project, a partial delivery of a work project, and a final work product.

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18. The method of claim 17 wherein the set of terms for performing a work project is selected from the group of: a schedule for completion of a work project, a schedule for delivery of work project components, a list of other agents assigned to a work project, and a rate of compensation for a work project.

19. The method of claim 14 further comprising the steps of:

a) obtaining a list of qualifications for each of said plurality of agents;

b) matching said list of qualifications to each of said plurality of work projects;

and

c) restricting access to a set of said plurality of work projects to a set of said plurality of agents whose qualifications are matched to a scope of work defined in said set of said plurality of work projects.

20. The method of claim 14 further comprising the steps of:

a) monitoring the progress in each of said plurality of work projects;

b) making changes in an agent assigned to each of said plurality of work projects, consistent with a set of job specifications; and

c) repeating steps a and b until each of said plurality of work projects is completed.